TORONTO ATHENÆUM.

Rules of the Library.

I. The books purchased for, or presented to, this Library, shall be inalienable for any purpose whatsoever, excepting in the case of duplicates, which may be sold, and the proceeds applied to the purchase of other works.

II. Such books only shall be purchased as are of general and permanent interest.

III. The Library shall be divided into books of reference and circulation, the latter only to be taken away for perusal.

IV. No person shall be entitled to the privileges of the Library until he has paid his subscription to the Athenæum for the current year, nor unless all fines be paid as soon as due.

V. No book to be taken out of the Library, exceeding the value of 10*s.* currency, unless a deposit be left with the Librarian to its value over that sum, as entered in the Librarian's book, under the direction of the Council; and not more than one volume to be taken out at a time.

VI. No person shall be permitted to retain any book in his possession for more than one week for a 24mo. or smaller volume, fourteen days for a 12mo., or twenty-one days for any larger size, on penalty of a fine of one halfpenny for each day it shall be so detained.

VII. All books to be returned to the Library without exception, on the third Monday in December, for the purpose of arrangement and inspection; subscribers detaining books after that period, to be liable after notice to a fine of 2*s.* 6*d.* No book to be issued during the remainder of the month, on any account whatever.

VIII. Any person losing a book, or returning a book in a damaged or imperfect condition, to pay for the same, or make good such damage, at the discretion of the Council, on pain of forfeiting his right of membership.

IX. Any person lending a book out of his own house or family, to be liable to a fine of 2*s.* 6*d.*, and on repetition, to be deprived of the privileges of the Library.

X. The Librarian to make a monthly return to the Council, of all infringements against the rules of the Library; and to be responsible for all damage and loss not so returned, or accounted for.

XI. The magazines and periodicals not to be issued until one month after they have been received, nor for more than three days at a time, under the same penalty as in Section VI.

XII. Subscribers to have the privilege of introducing visitors (not residents of Toronto) to the Library for one week, and a book for the reception of their names to be kept.

XIII. In applying for any book, the party shall hand to the Librarian a written memorandum, containing the name of the work, and his own name; such paper to be filed until such book be returned, and then handed back to the subscriber. No evasion of this rule will be permitted.

XIV. The Librarian shall keep a regular account of all books in his charge, their loan and return, as well as all fines incurred.

XV. The rules of the Library to be affixed to each book for circulation. No book to be re-issued to the person returning it, on the same day on which it is returned.